

system of garbage and refuse disposal is also under development. One of the sites will be located south of Biscoe. This will permit the cleaning up of the present site which is nothing but an open dump, allowing litter to be scattered by the wind and a potential source of insects and rodents. The junk yard is in a small subdivision which is developing along Hyde Street. If measures are not taken to improve the enviromental conditions here, there is little likelihood that this area will ever develop into a nice residential area. The value of property and the appearance of the homes will almost certainly go down. Two open storage areas belonging to Spring Mills, one just below Mill Street and the other on Brooks Street, need more careful supervision. More orderly storage plus some screening and landscaping would improve their appearance greatly.

PUBLIC AND SEMI-PUBLIC

Eight percent of the developed land in town (26.6 acres) is devoted to public and semi-public uses. The largest user of public land in town is the Biscoe Elementary School located on a 12.9 acre site in the northwest section of town. The next largest use is devoted to a ball park and tennis courts owned by Spring Mills but leased by the town for the public. Approximately 5 acres are involved.

Other public uses within the corporate limits are the Town Hall on Shamburger Street, the fire station fronting on South Main Street (U. S. 220) at Shamburger Street, the post office fronting on South Main Street below Church Street, and the public library also on South Main Street just below Hunsucker Street. All of these combined use only about 3/4 of an acre. None of these public facilities has adequate off-street parking. Three of them front on South Main Street (U. S. Highway 220). The traffic congestion and lack of parking space create a dangerous situation. A new post office is contemplated. Relocation at a less dangerous, more convenient site should be considered.